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IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEVADA

In re

WASHINGTON GROUP

INTERNATIONAL, INC., <u>et al</u>.,

Debtors.

Case No. BK-N-0/-3/627 Chapter 11

ORDER (A) CONFIRMING GRANT OF AD-MINISTRATIVE EXPENSE STATUS TO OBLIGATIONS ARISING FROM POST-PE-TITION DELIVERY OF GOODS, (B) ES-TABLISHING AUTHORITY TO PAY CER-TAIN EXPENSES IN THE ORDINARY COURSE OF BUSINESS, (C) AUTHORIZ-ING THE DEBTOR TO RETURN GOODS PURSUANT TO § 546 (g) * OF THE BANKRUPTCY CODE, (D) PROVIDING FOR ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE TREATMENT FOR CERTAIN HOLDERS OF VALID REC-LAMATION CLAIMS AND (E) PROHIBIT-ING THIRD PARTIES FROM INTERFERING WITH THE DEBTORS' DELIVERY OF GOODS

Hearing Date: May 14, 2001 Hearing Time: 1:00 p.m.

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Upon the motion, dated May 13, 2001 (the "Motion"), of the above-captioned debtors and debtors-in-possession (collectively, the "Debtors"), for an order under 11 U.S.C. §§ 105(a), 503(b), 546(c) and 546(g)* (i) confirming the grant of administrative expense status to obligations arising from postpetition delivery of goods, (ii) authorizing the Debtors to return goods to vendors pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 546(q)* (as defined below), (iii) providing for administrative expense treatment for certain holders of valid reclamation claims and (iv) prohibiting third parties from interfering with the delivery of goods to the Debtors; and upon the Affidavit of Stephen G. Hanks in Support of Chapter 11 Petitions and First-Day Orders sworn to on May 13, 2001; and this Court having determined that granting the relief requested in the Motion is in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates and creditors; and upon the record herein; and after due deliberation thereon; and good and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is hereby

ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED THAT:

- 1. The Motion is GRANTED.
- 2. The Vendors shall have administrative expense claims with priority under Bankrputcy Code section 503(b) for those undisputed obligations arising from outstanding orders relating to shipments of Goods received and accepted by the Debtors after the Petition Date.

All capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Motion.

3. The Debtors are authorized to pay their undisputed obligations arising from the postpetition shipment or delivery of Goods by the Vendors pursuant to their customary practice in the ordinary course prior to the commencement of these chapter 11 cases.

- 4. The Debtors are hereby authorized in accordance with Bankruptcy Code section $546\,(g)\,\star$ to return to creditors Goods that were delivered prepetition.
- expense claim against a Debtor for the value of Goods received and accepted by such Debtor, if and to the extent that the Vendor has a valid reclamation claim for such Goods in accordance with Bankruptcy Code section 546(c) and/or UCC section 2-702, but only to the extent that such Vendor proves the validity of its demand and the amount of its reclamation claim, which reclamation claim the Debtors may pay in the ordinary course of business. Nothing in this paragraph shall preclude a Vendor from seeking a lien in lieu of an administrative expense for a valid reclamation claim or the Debtors (or any other party) from objecting to such request.
- 6. In accordance with Bankruptcy Code sections 105 and 362, Vendors and all other third parties are prohibited from reclaiming or interfering in any way with the postpetition shipment or delivery of Goods to the Debtors without first obtaining relief from this Order.

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7. This Order is without prejudice to the Debtors' right to file a motion establishing a procedure for determining the validity of reclamation claims.

Dated:

Reno, Nevada May //, 2001

Hon/Gregg W. Ziy

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE